

John Robert

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ON BAYOU

ROBERTS PLANTATION (William Robert)

@ BUN SPRINGS

bro Henry  
(bro other brother)

think - sprains foot back →

- found  
record in Asa Co.

- Family Bible →

1 William - Amanda Wadlow Byrum → gt gt gt  
2 ~~William~~ Calumbe <sup>Newton</sup> m. 1st Julia HARMON (dr.)  
3. John William (B. H. B. m. Ida Bell TAYSON) gt



April 25, 1995

Rebecca,

This is the information  
I promised to send. I  
hope it will be of some  
help.

Thanks

John Roberts

212 Adam circle

Ruston, LA 71270

Sunday  
July 10, 1994

Dear John,

I hurriedly typed this information, so if you run across any mistakes, then my apologies. It took me awhile to sort out all the names, etc.

I am sending what information I have on the Roberts prior to Newton Columbus, so you can get started on researching them. I will send a photocopy of the photograph of Cumi Stone Roberts if I can find it. I will have the photo copied at a studio, but that will take some time and I will have to send it later. There is still some information on my father's family and all of his nieces and nephews that I will also send later. I will have to dig out names of children, addresses, etc. so this should take some time. Daddy had a lot of this information, which Mama still has, but we will have to dig around for it. I believe that Carolyn Folds? (Jack Roberts' granddaughter) is living in Monroe. I can't remember what her married name is. Mama is looking for her address for me. She was an only child and would be delighted to "find" another cousin. I have enjoyed visiting with you on the phone and would really like to come to the Roberts' family reunion, but I don't



know if the trip would be possible. My job has changed (new faculty, students, principals, & superintendent) and was very hard last year. I don't know exactly what to expect this year. There will be some changes in store, so the stress will still be there when school starts at the end of August. I am working on my house which was neglected during my time at graduate school; and last year because of the changes in our school district. I would like to have my family come for either Thanksgiving or Christmas, so I have a lot of work to do to make the house presentable. (2)

I am going to give you some more notes on the pages I typed for you. I'll list the page number first - then the notes.

Page 2 - In the Index on Vol. XIII 1803-1806, William Roberts is not listed, so I assume he is the son of one of the Roberts listed.

As you know sometimes names were misspelled or hard to read. I don't know if William Roberts is our ancestor or if this is a different person. P.W. Roberts might be a William -

Page 3 - In the listing of William Roberts' (elder) children there is a Henry C. He is also listed on page 69 of the Arkansas Historical Quarterly - Pioneers of Ashley County, 1845. I have marked this in pink for you.



Page 4 - I have no name for the man Alice  
Caldonia Roberts married.

William Creech's first wife is listed  
almost everywhere as Margaret Mary,  
but I always heard her called Mary Margaret.  
Her last name is misspelled in the family  
record. I know this because she was  
my great, great aunt. I have given the  
correct spelling in parentheses.

Page 5 - Alonzo Roberts was the person who copied  
the information out of the family Bible and  
wrote what early family history we have.

Sorry, this  
page is supposed  
to be marked  
blue. I got  
carried away  
with the orange.  
☺

I am sending you a letter that Robert  
Wesley wrote to my father in 1969. I will  
have to check on Mattie Wallace and  
who and where she or her children are.  
She has a history that Robert Wesley  
wrote and possibly would be helpful.

Robert Wesley was Alonzo's son.

Martin the professional singer had some  
children who apparently lived in Newberia, LA.  
The type was so faint (it was photocopied) as  
to be unreadable. I will check to see if someone  
in my family has a better copy so I can get  
that information to you.

Page 6 - Dewey Roberts was a son of William Creech Roberts. I am sending a copy of a letter that he wrote to Aunt Cumye, who sent it to Daddy.

This page is also supposed to be marked in blue.

I hope the William Creech and Sarah Frances life histories weren't terribly confusing. I suppose this is why my side of the family has as much on the Roberts as they do.

Page 7 - I don't know any of these people. Some of them might be able to help you. I don't have addresses for any of them.

I am also enclosing a copy of a letter that Aunt Cumye sent my Father.

Some family records will be in Chicot County, AR. On page 66 of the Arkansas Historical Quarterly is a couple of paragraphs outlined in yellow. This information should be helpful to you.

There were some highlighted sections that came out gray that mention names other than Roberts. I ignore them, they possibly have to do with the Kelley - Massey line - No kin to you.

(over)



ROBERTS FAMILY

\*1. John Roberts

\*2. Joseph Roberts

\*3. John Roberts

\*4. Columbus (Lum) Newton Roberts

*I got his names reversed in late typing.*

\*5. William Roberts (the younger)

\*6. ??? This generation is the confusing one. We don't know who is the elder here, so I will list both names.

William Roberts (the elder); Daniel Roberts, "Seigior"

You can draw your own conclusions from the records. My opinion is that William was the father of Daniel, "Seigior"; and that Daniel, "Seigior" was the father of William the younger.

*This will prove to be incorrect by later information*

\*6. I have found records in the Territorial Papers of the United States Vol. XIV Louisiana - Missouri Territory 1806-1814 by Clarence Edwin Carter. United States Government Printing Office, Washington : 1949

Index: page 889

Edmond Roberts, signer 392

John M. Roberts, signer 474

William Roberts, signer 396, 476

Capt. \_\_\_\_\_ Roberts, British officer, plan for estab. at Prairie du Chien, 637

The William Roberts listed here was a signer of a memorial to be sent to St. Louis. It was a legal document presented on behalf of the Spanish land grants owners to keep their property. The document was dated 1810 and indicated that a similar document had been presented five years earlier in 1805. If you look at the Spanish land grants, you will probably find William Roberts' name and maybe find out more about him and his family.

I just found these records this week and have not had time to read all the information or to look at all the books. I am sending you the volumes, the number of the index page where I found the information to be looked up, and what I found. This is so you can go ahead and look at this information if it is available to you. I will try to get this copied, but I have other priorities right now, so I can't spend much time on family history, much as I would like to.

Territorial Papers of the United States Volume XIII Louisiana  
- Missouri Territory 1803-1806  
 Index : page 623

David Roberts, signer 339  
 Henry Roberts, signer 481  
 James Roberts (Robarts), signer 478  
 John Roberts, signer 139  
 O.P. Roberts, signer 484  
 Phillip (Phi) Roberts, signer 476  
 Thomas Roberts, signer 147

The fact that William Roberts does not show up here leads me to believe that William possibly inherited the land from his father during that five years I was speaking of earlier. Possibly one of these men listed above was his father. I would look at Henry Roberts first, and also try to find a recording of wills made during this period of time.

Territorial Papers of the United States Volume XIX  
Arkansas Territory 1819-1825

Index : page 973

William Roberts, signer 386  
 Aaron Roberts, comd. magis, 833  
 Brown C. Roberts, comd. coroner, 860  
 David Roberts, comd. coroner, 812  
 Henry L. Roberts, comd. magis. , 845  
 Jesse Roberts, comd. magis. , 868  
 Jesse C. Roberts, comd. magis. , 832  
 Obadiah Roberts, comd. magis. , 871  
 P.W. Roberts, comd. magis. , 841, 874

*- This was the spelling in the index*



Territorial Papers of the United States Volume XXI  
Arkansas Territory 1829-1836

Index : page 1378

Daniel Roberts, signer, 1183  
 David Roberts, Jr. , signer, 868  
 Jesse C. Roberts, pay as member legis. ,942; signs  
 recomd. of Fulton, 865 (Chicot County)

This was a petition to set up a post office, that Daniel Roberts signed. I have also sent you the same information condensed in an Arkansas Historical Quarterly.

In the same Quarterly , there is also a listing of heads of household for different years. Also listed is the name of the oldest child in the family born in Arkansas. The post office petition was signed in 1833, yet in 1841, Mary Roberts is listed as head of the household with Eldridge as the oldest child born in Arkansas. We know he was the youngest in his family and according to the 1850 slave census, his older brother, William the younger was born in Louisiana. This is a real mystery that maybe you can solve.

According to the family history, the first section of births were the children of William Roberts the elder. This would make Mary his wife since Eldridge was listed as her child in 1841. I still do not know where Daniel "Seigior" fits in.

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Children of William Roberts the elder and Mary

Sarah-b.Sept. 6, 1816;m. Nov. 7, 1833; d. Mar. 14, 1837  
 Nancy-b. May 30, 1819; m. Dec.15, 1837 to Columbus Davenport  
 they moved to Mer Rouge, LA; no date of death given  
 Henry C.-b. Nov.26, 1821; m. Feb.22, 1844 to ?;  
 no date of death given  
 Susanah-b. April 24, 1824; d. June 15, 1832  
 Richard-b. Mar.9, 1827; d. July 26, 1829  
 William the younger-b. Nov.13, 1829; m. July 15, 1852 to  
 Amanda Wardlaw Bynum; no date of death given for them  
 Daniel-b. Mar.10, 1832; d. Jan.25, 1848  
 Eldridge-b. Sept.6, 1840; d. in Civil War battle July 11, 1863

\*5. William Roberts (the younger)

He was our great-great grandfather. He was born November 13, 1829, and was married to Amanda Wardlaw Bynum on July 15, 1852. She was born on June 26, 1826, so she was three years older than William. You can see in the family history that it speaks of her family as being of some historical importance. I have not had time to pursue her family line, but it sounds interesting. They had the following children. (This is where my family lines of Kelley-Massey-Roberts get so entwined.)

*no date of death given*

Daniel Castrilian-b. Sept. 2, 1853;  
 Newton Columbus-b. Aug. 20, 1855; m. Feb. 27, 1881 to Julia Harmon  
     m. 2nd wife Cumi Stone Harper Jan. 24, 1888;  
     no date of death given  
 Joseph Wesley-b. June 18, 1858; d. Oct. 16, 1858  
 Alice Caldonia-b. Aug. 24, 1860; m. to ? Sept. 10, 1878; no date  
     of death given  
 William Creech-b. Aug. 29, 1862; m. Margaret Kelly (Kelley)  
     on Oct. 22, 1882; m. 2nd wife Mary Howie on April  
     12, 1891; m. 3rd wife Sarah Frances Kelley Massey  
     on Aug. 31, 1901; d. Feb. 19, 1921

The slave census of 1859 states that William (the younger) owned twenty slaves.

\*4. Newton Columbus Roberts

He was our great grandfather; born August 20, 1855. I have no date of death given. His first marriage was to Julia Harmon on February 27, 1881. One child was born of this union-Johnnie. (Your grandfather) He then married Cumi Stone Harper who had been married to Jim Harper and had one child of this union, a daughter-Jimmie. This second marriage for both "Lum" and Cumi took place on January 24, 1888. They had the following children.

Dora  
 Walter  
 Jack  
 Alice  
 Stella Belle (my grandmother)  
 Ester (a son)  
 Cumye  
 Norman (also known as Buddy)

*Will send  
 you information  
 on this group  
 later. Children, etc.*

I do not have much on birthdates, etc.

*My  
 Great  
 Grandfather*



Now for the interesting part of the story. Newton Columbus Roberts had a younger brother known as William Creech or W.C.Roberts. He was married three times. His first and third marriage was to the Kelley sisters; one of whom was my great great Aunt Mary Margret Kelley (his first wife), and to my great Grandmother Sarah Frances Kelley Brady Massey. His second wife was Mary Howie. He had children by all three wives. Margret died June 9, 1890 presumably of tuberculosis (according to traditional stories.) They had three children.

Nancy-d. age 8

Amanda-d. age 2-3

Alonzo- (a minister) was born July 5, 1884; m. Ola Elton and had three children, one of whom was adopted:

Iris-(adopted) d. age 12

Martin- He was a professional singer

Robert Wesley- first married Cumi Elton(a sister of Ola) They had four children.

Eldridge- m. and has two sons who are doctors in El Dorado, AR.

Hazel- m. Otis Hyde ; one child, Gene Raymond.

Wesley, Jr.- has a florist shop in Camden, AR; no children.

One child who died-age one.

Robert Wesley m. a second time to a widow, Donna Inez, who already had two daughters. No children of this second marriage. They lived at Burns, AR, where Inez had a dress shop.

Alonzo Roberts m. a second time and had one daughter named Betty Jean.

*I don't know exactly how old this information is. A lot of these relatives above are probably deceased.*

William Creech m. a second time to Mary Howie and had these four children.

William- m. in Texas and had one daughter named Howie for his Mother's family. W.N. Roberts was a minister and for a time was pastor at the Devine Baptist Church in Devine, Texas. This must have been near Lytel, Texas, for there were two letters from Sarah F.(Massey) Roberts in March and April of 1926. They are both addressed from Lytel and one is on church stationary. She helped raise William, Margret and Effie.

Children of William Creech Roberts and Mary Howie Roberts  
(continued)

- Margret- m. Roy Gardner and had two children: Frances Marie and Roy, Jr. They lived at Robstown, Texas near Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Effie- m. William Johnson and two daughters.  
(She is the youngest of this group.)
- Dewey- m. a girl whose first name was "Henry" and had one boy, who m. and lived in Paris, France.

After the Mary Howie marriage, William Creech married his first wife's younger sister, Sarah Frances Kelley Brady Massey, who like himself, already had two sets of children. Also, closely knit into this third marriage, were the children of the former (2) husbands of Sarah Frances. To further complicate the picture William Creech's brother Newton ("Lum") Columbus had to stay with him when their house burned. In addition to the six sets of children already sharing the William Creech Roberts' house, "Lum" and his wife Cumi and their eleven children moved temporarily into the Will Roberts house until they could build another house. This was when my Grandmother Stella and my Grandfather Clyde Massey, Sr. fell in love.

When my great-Grandmother Sarah married William Creech, she was said to still be a beautiful woman. Her hair was snow white at an early age which enhanced her beauty, and her skin was like fine porcelain. My Father can remember riding the train with her when he was three years old and remembers liking her.

The children of William Creech Roberts and Sarah Frances Roberts are:

- Alton Bruce- b. Jul.12, 1904; m. Leone Caldwell; d. Feb.13, 1966.
- Luther Henry- b. Aug.26, 1905; m. Leona Isabelle Cole(b. Mar.17, 1908);

I will list these two childrens' descendents on page7 .



Children of Alton Bruce Roberts and Leone Caldwell Roberts

Alton Bruce, Jr.

Frances-m. to Walter Bramer

Their children are:

Walter, Jr.

Cynthia

Jimmy (adopted)

Children of Luther Henry Roberts and Leona Cole Roberts

Julia Frances-m. Howard William Townsend

Their children are:

Howard Glenn

Beverly Frances

Quinnan Cole-m. Mary Ellen Nixon

Their children are:

Randy Cole

Richard Wayne

Russell Lee

Risa Ellen

Richard Carey-m. Paula Carolyn Fritsch

Their children are:

Sharon Paulette

Richard Cole

Rex Emil



State Arkansas 1900 CENSUS  
County Asheley

# SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

Township or other division of county Costs Township

(Insert name of township, town, precinct, district, or other civil division, as the case may be. See instructions.)

Name of Institution

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division

Enumerated by me on the 10th day of July, 1900, Thos. E. Meard

LOCATION.			NAME of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.  Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any.  Include every person living on June 1, 1900. Omit children born since June 1, 1900.	RELATION.	SEX.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.							NATIVITY.			CITIZENSHIP.		
IN CITY.	STREET.	HOUSE NUMBER.				DATE OF BIRTH.	AGE.	COLORED.	Whether deaf, dumb, blind, or insane.	Whether married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of years married.	Number of children living.	Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of Father of this person.	Place of birth of Mother of this person.	Year of immigration to the United States.	Number of years in the United States.	Place of birth.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
			Cole, Fannie	Son	M	Jan 1894	5	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Fannie	Daughter	F	July 1896	3	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			Cole, Eliza	Wife	F	Jan 1824	76	M	S		12	Tennessee	North Carolina	South Carolina				
			Roberts, William	Head	M	Aug 1862	37	M	S			Arkansas	Arkansas	Kentucky				
			" Mary	Wife	F	Oct 1865	34	M	S		9	Arkansas	Mississippi	Mississippi				
			" Mary	Son	M	July 1873	16	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Wesley	Son	M	Feb 1878	12	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" William	Son	M	May 1895	6	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Margaret	Daughter	F	Feb 1896	3	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Mary	Son	M	Feb 1898	1	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Eliza	Daughter	F	July 1899	1/2	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			Roberts, William	Head	M	Aug 1850	49	M	S			Arkansas	Arkansas	Kentucky				
			" Zephaniah	Wife	F	Mar 1863	36	M	S		16	Arkansas	Alabama	Alabama				
			" John	Son	M	June 1882	18	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Emma Mary	Daughter	F	Dec 1884	15	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Ernest M	Son	M	July 1886	13	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Walter M.	Son	M	Dec 1888	11	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Joseph E.	Son	M	Aug 1890	7	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Alice S.	Daughter	F	July 1893	6	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Stella B.	Daughter	F	Mar 1895	5	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Ethel E.	Daughter	F	Dec 1896	3	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Annie S.	Daughter	F	Mar 1897	1	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Joseph J.	Head	M	July 1893	16	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" George B.	Head	M	June 1894	15	S				Alabama	Alabama	Alabama				
			" Jane S.	Wife	F	Dec 1893	46	M	S		28	Arkansas	Alabama	Alabama				
			" John	Son	M	Aug 1895	16	S				Arkansas	Alabama	Arkansas				
			" Ida	Daughter	F	July 1897	9	S				Arkansas	Alabama	Arkansas				
			" Sam	Son	M	Aug 1894	5	S				Arkansas	Alabama	Arkansas				
			" William Ella	Son	M	Jan 1896	14	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" George Fred L.	Head	M	July 1878	21	M	S			Arkansas	Alabama	Arkansas				
			" Julia S.	Wife	F	Feb 1891	19	M	S		0	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Louis S.	Head	M	Jan 1879	20	M	S		4	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Elmer S.	Wife	F	Feb 1877	23	M	S		2	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Benjamin	Son	M	Oct 1891	8	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" John S.	Son	M	Dec 1895	4	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Volney Joseph J.	Head	M	July 1870	29	M	S		10	Arkansas	Alabama	Mississippi				
			" Annie A.	Wife	F	Feb 1875	27	M	S		4	Arkansas	Tennessee	Mississippi				
			" Robert B.	Son	M	Jan 1892	7	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Joseph A.	Son	M	Feb 1896	4	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Lee S.	Son	M	Dec 1898	1	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Mother C.	Wife	F	July 1837	62	M	S		7	Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi				
			" James S.	Son	M	Jan 1860	40	S				Arkansas	Tennessee	Mississippi				
			" William S.	Head	M	April 1877	21	M	S		1	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" John S.	Wife	F	Dec 1871	28	M	S		1	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Mary S.	Son	M	Feb 1900	1/2	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" Kelly S.	Head	M	Feb 1893	48	M	S		21	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama				
			" John S.	Wife	F	Aug 1860	39	M	S		21	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" John S.	Head	M	Feb 1875	25	M	S			Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				
			" John S.	Head	M	Feb 1875	25	M	S			Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				



3 GGP

William Roberts (deceased) → Mary  
SARAH b. 9-6-1816 d. 3-14-1837 m. 11-7-1833 Eden Davis GARRET  
NANCY b. 5-30-1819 d. ? m. 12-15-1837 to m. E. Garret  
Chile

Columbus Davenport moved to Mer Rouge, LA

Henry C. b. 11-26-1821 m. 2-22-1844 Mary Elton

Susannah b. 4-24-1824 d. 6-15-1832

Richard b. 3-9-1827 d. 7-26-1829

William (younger) b. 11-13-1829 d. ? m. 11-13-1829 to

Amanda Wardlaw Bynum

Daniel b. 3-10-1832 d. 1-25-1848

Eldridge L. b. 9-6-1840 d. Civil War battle 7-11-1863

2 GGP

William Roberts (younger) → Amanda Wardlaw <sup>Bynum</sup> Roberts  
(William and Mary married 7-15-1852)

Daniel Castillion b. 9-2-1853

Newton Columbus b. 8-20-1855 d. -1922

m. Julia Harmon 1-24-1888

Joseph Wesley b. 6-18-1858

Alice Caldonia b. 8-24-1860 m. Robert Preston Wallace

William Creech b. 8-29-1862

1 GP

John Willie Roberts b. 12-17-1881

Father Joseph Columbus Roberts





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15 Julia Parish  
library

HARMON

Julia Roberts Died Age 18 Born Ark. Died in Oct.  
Father born Tenn. mother born Tenn

Julia Died in Boone County, AR

1880 Census of Ashley County AR - Carter township

<u>name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rel</u>	<u>Born in</u>	<u>FATHER</u> <u>Born</u>	<u>MOTHER</u> <u>Born</u>
Harmon, JR	39		LA	PA	LA
" Juretta	39	W	OH	OH	OH
" Julia	19	D	LA	LA	OH
" Henry	14	S	"	"	"
" Susan	10	D	"	"	"
" Daisy	8	D	"	"	"
" Annie	5	D	"	"	"
" Nada	2	D	"	"	"

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Parish  
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Newton C. Roberts m. Julia P. Harmon 2-27-1881  
Pose A-241 Ashley County, AR

Daniel Roberts listed in 1840 Census of AR. as being  
in Chicot County

A William C. Roberts in Washington City. in 1840  
(? possibly William the elder)



The Inhabitants of Union Township in the County of Union  
 enumerated by me, on the 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Nov 1850.

Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this township.	Description.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place of Birth. Naming the State, Territory or Country.
	Age.	Sex.	White, black, or mulatto.			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
William T. Brown	43	M		Physician	775	Penn
John "	34	F				La
Liam "	17	M				Mich
Wm V "	13	F				"
Liana "	8	F				"
John "	5	M				"
John "	2	F				Ark
John Hamilton	47	F				La
Wm. Barnett	28	M		Farmer	500	La
William Roberts	21	M		Dr		La
MARY	50	F				La
John Eldridge	9	M				Ark
John Brady	36	M		Farmer		Mich
John "	25	F				La
John "	11	M				Ark
John "	7	M				"
John "	4	M				"
John "	1	F				"
John "	50	M		Farmer		La
John "	27	F				La



SCHEDULE 1.—Free Individuals

of *Delaware* enumerated in 1860

Post Office *Cambridge*

Dwelling-houses—  
numbered in the  
order of visitation.

Families numbered  
in the order of  
visitation.

The name of every person whose usual  
place of abode on the first day of June,  
1860, was in this family.

Age.

Sex.

Color. ☒ White,  
☐ Black, or  
☐ Mulatto.

Profession, Occupation, or Trade, or  
rank, office, and service in the  
Armed Forces of the U. S.

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*Thomas Deane*

15 m

✓

"

*Harold Deane*

13 m

✓

*Robert Deane*

9 m

✓

*Mary Deane*

6 f

✓

*John Deane*

4 m

✓

*Martha Deane*

4 f

✓

*Henry Roberts*

39 m

✓

*Farmer*

*Mary Roberts*

37 f

✓

*Mary Roberts*

16 f

✓

*William Roberts*

14 m

✓

*James Roberts*

5 m

✓

*James Roberts*

3 m

✓

*John Roberts*

4 m

✓

*Farmer*

3 m

*John*



1860 CENSUS

UNION TOWNSHIP

ASHLEY COUNTY, ALABAMA

8	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Samuel Nobles	44	M	✓	Farmer	2400	4300	Alabama
William E. Nobles	35	F	✓	"			Georgia
Dallas Nobles	16	M	✓	"			Alabama
James Nobles	13	M	✓	"			Georgia
Peterson Nobles	12	F	✓	"			"
James Gregory	40	M	✓	"	1600	200	North Carolina
Amos Gregory	25	F	✓	"			Mississippi
William Gregory	18	M	✓	"			"
Sachia Gregory	20	M	✓	"			"
Samuel Gregory	10	M	✓	"			"
Amantia Gregory	8	F	✓	"			"
Nelly Gregory	8	F	✓	"			"
Martha Gregory	3	F	✓	"			Alabama
William Roberts	30	M	✓	Great-grandfather	13000	11000	Louisiana
Amanda W. Roberts	32	F	✓	Amos W. Bynum Roberts			Kentucky
Samuel Roberts	6	M	✓	"			Alabama
Calvin Roberts	4	M	✓	Great-grandfather			"
O. H. P. Watson	35	M	✓	Mechanic	1000	550	Kentucky
Harriet E. Watson	30	F	✓	"			"
Benjamin Watson	14	M	✓	"			"
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Peggy,

This was given to me by Jerry Burgess. One of Stella Roberts Massey's sons gave it to her when she worked at Leisure Lodge in Hamburg. He came to visit his aunt Cumi Roberts Breazeale. This is supposed to be what Alongzo Roberts had. The Massey man said that Alongzo never got around to doing anything with what he had. I think he had what is copied from the old Bible



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Daniel Roberts "Seigior"

William Roberts, elder m. Mary Roberts

- ① Sarah Roberts b. Sept. 6, 1816; m. Nov. 7, 1833;  
d. March 14, 1837
- ② Nancy Roberts b. May 30, 1819; (Columbus  
Davenport) m. Dec. 15, 1837; ?
- ③ Henry C. (Creech) Roberts b. Nov. 26, 1821; m.  
Feb. 22, 1844  
(listed in 1850 census as head of house-  
hold oldest child - Mary born in 1845)
- ④ Susanah Roberts b. April 24, 1824; d. June 15, 183.
- ⑤ Richard Roberts b. March 9, 1827; d. July 26, 1829
- ⑥ William Roberts b. Nov. 13, 1829; m. July 15, 1852  
to Amanda Wardlaw Bynum;

Children

- ① Daniel Castilian Roberts b. Sept. 2, 1853 ?
- ② Newton Columbus b. Aug. 20, 1855; m.  
Feb. 27, 1881
- ③ John Wesley Roberts b. June 18, 1858; d. Oct. 16, 1858
- ④ Alice Caldonia Roberts b. Aug. 24, 1860; m.  
Sept. 10, 1878
- ⑤ William Creech Roberts b. Aug 29, 1862;  
m. Margaret Kelley Oct. 22, 1882; d. June 9, 1890
- ① Alonzo Franklin Roberts b. July 5, 1884
- ② Amanda Jane Roberts b. May 26, 1886; d.  
Mar. 17, 1899
- ③ Robert Wesley Roberts b. April 29, 1888;  
m. Mary Hovice April 12, 1891; d.

To Aunt Louise Wallace  
From Jerry Burgess

5/26/89



Some Things That Will Be of Interest To All the  
 Roberts Family Relative To  
 "Family Record As Shown In The Old Family Bible"

In the first section under "births" appear the names of the children of an elder William Roberts. We have no record of his parents, brothers, sisters, nor his own birth. It is possible that Mary Roberts and Daniel Roberts, "Seigiar" may have been his sister and brother or his sister-in-law and brother. These two names do not appear in the record except as deaths. Both died in 1853. We do know that he came from De Soto county near the town of Hernando Mississippi to Arkansas in the 1800's, and settled on Bayou Bartholomew a few miles west of the present little town of Baydel Arkansas (formerly Morrell, Ark), in a community then known as Gum Ridge. The records in the Ashley County Court house at Hamburg Arkansas cite that he came into possession of a large tract of land on Lake Grampas as early as 1813. After his death, William Roberts, his son, our grandfather, came into possession of 918 acres of this property.

Before coming to discuss our own "limb" on the family tree, some things of interest might be said about some of the other children of this elder William Roberts. I would not guarantee that all of my statements are correct, as I have to depend on



my memory of things as they were told to me by Grandma Roberts.

We do not know who Sarah Roberts married, where they lived, or anything about her family.

Nancy Roberts married Columbus Davenport, whose people were pioneers, settling in and around New Orleans, Louisiana. I purpose to write a more complete history of the family in which the romance of this young couple will have a part.

Henry Roberts, who was born November 26, 1821 was the one we all know as "Uncle Creech." You will notice that his name is recorded as Henry C. Roberts in the "marriage" section of the family record. There are some very romantic and mysterious things connected with his life's history.

Daniel died at the age of 16, January 25, 1848.

Eldridge Roberts was never married. He was killed in battle in the Civil War, July 11, 1863. Some interesting facts are connected with the life and death of this man.

William Roberts, born November 13, 1829, is our grandfather. Amanda Wardlaw Bynum was his wife, our grandma. She and her family form a great part of our historical background. Her family record goes back beyond the Revolutionary War, and they are identified with every war in which



this country has been engaged.

William Creech Roberts was the youngest child of William and Amanda Roberts. His name appears later in this record as W.C. Roberts. The third section under "births" is a record of the births of part of the children of W.C. Roberts.

(Alongz F. Roberts' full name is Alongz Franklin Roberts. William N. Roberts full name is William Norman Roberts). The births of his children, Dewey H. Roberts, Effie, Alton, and Luther Roberts, nor the record of his second wife's death, nor his marriage to his third wife, nor her death, nor the death of Effie, his youngest daughter, are recorded in the old Bible.

In writing the family record I have endeavored to copy it word for word, and to follow exact spelling, capitalism, and punctuation as it appears in the old Bible. If I ever get to write the history of the family there will be some very interesting facts for all of us. Interesting facts not only about the family recorded in the old Bible but about the old Bible itself.

Alongz Franklin Roberts



Amanda Jane Roberts was born May 26, 1836.  
 Robert Wesley Roberts was born April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1888  
 William N. Roberts was born Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
 Margaret Elizabeth Roberts was born  
 Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1898

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### Marriages

Sarah Roberts was married the 7<sup>th</sup> of November, 1833  
 Nancy Roberts was married the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, 1837  
 Henry C. Roberts was married the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, 1844  
 William Roberts was married the 15<sup>th</sup> of July, 1852  
 W.C. Roberts was married to Margaret Kelley  
 Oct. 22, 1882  
 W.C. Roberts was married to Mary Howie April 12, 1891  
 Alice Roberts was married the 10 day of Sept, 1878  
 Newton Columbus Roberts was married the  
 27<sup>th</sup> of February, A.D. 1881.

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### Deaths

Sarah Roberts departed this life the 14  
 March, 1837.  
 Susanah Roberts departed this life the 15<sup>th</sup> of June, 1832.  
 Daniel Roberts departed this life the 25<sup>th</sup> of Jan. 1848  
 Daniel Roberts, seignor, departed this life the  
 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 1853  
 Mary Roberts departed this life the 25 day  
 of April, 1853.  
 Eldridge Roberts departed this life July the 11, 1863  
 Amanda Jane Roberts departed this life  
 May 7, 1887  
 Margaret M. Roberts departed this life June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1890  
 Amanda Roberts departed this life March 17, 1899  
 W.C. Roberts departed this life Feb. 19, 1929



# Family Record As shown in the Old Family Bible

Sarah Roberts was born the 6 of Sept, 1816  
 Nancy Roberts was born the 30 of May, 1819  
 Henry Roberts was born the 26<sup>th</sup> Nov, 1821  
 Susannah Roberts was born the 24 of April, 1824  
 Richard Roberts was born the 9 of March, 1827  
 and departed this life 26 July, 1829  
 William Roberts was born the 13, Nov. 1829  
 Daniel Roberts was born the 10, March, 1832  
 Eldridge Roberts was born the 6, September, 1840

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William Roberts was born the 13 November 1829  
 Amanda Wardlaw Bynum was born June 26, 1826  
 and married July 15, 1852  
 Daniel Castilian Roberts was born 2<sup>nd</sup> September  
 A.D. 1853  
 Newton Columbus Roberts was born the 20 of August  
 A.D. 1855  
 Joseph Wesley Roberts was born the 18 of June 1858  
 Alice Caldonia Roberts was born the 24 of  
 August A.D. 1860  
 William Creech Roberts was born the 29 of  
 August 1862  
 Mary Roberts wife of W.C. Roberts was  
 born Oct 22, 1865  
 Joseph Wesley Roberts was born the 18<sup>th</sup> of  
 June 1858 and  
 departed this life the 16 of October 1858

William Roberts was born the 23 day of  
September 1863

Alonzo J. Roberts was born July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1884

Amanda Jane Roberts was born May 26, 1886

Robert Wesley Roberts was born April 29, 1888

William N. Roberts was born Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893

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The rest of this information is from Virginia Barnes Young - daughter of Dr. L.C. Barnes and Winnie Barnes Kelley

Family of Mary Margret Kelley (daughter of Robert Kelley, Sr. - Son of Charles Kelley b. 1777 and William Creech Roberts)

Mary Margret Kelley was b. Sept. 14, 1859. She was named for her Aunt Margret, daughter of Charles Kelley b. 1777, her Aunt Margret having been b. Jan. 20, 1808 in Ga. Aunt Margret m. Davidson M<sup>c</sup>Guire Dec. 1822. Her name was generally spelled Margaret, whereas Mary Margret dropped the "a" to distinguish which Margaret she was. The poem written in the Charles Kelley Bible is by one of these Margarets, and probably by the second, since the name was without the "a".

William Creech Roberts was married at least three times that we know of. The first marriage we know of was to Mary Margret. There were three children of this marriage before she died, presumably of tuberculosis (according to traditional stories).

1. Nancy d. age 2
2. Amanda d. age 2-3
3. Alongo (a minister) m. Ola Elton and had 3 children, one of whom was adopted. Ola died 1927. Alongo died in Oct., 1961.

1. Iris (adopted) d. age 12
2. Martin (he was a professional singer). 2 children
3. Louise married Clifford Cliff - Cliff 3 children



4. Robert Wesley, 1<sup>st</sup> m. Cumi Elton (sister of Ala, above) and they had four children: Cumi died 1967.

1. Eldridge m. and has two sons who are Doctors in El Dorado, Ar. <sup>William Clyde Conway and Charles Wesley Pineville Jr. the younger the older</sup>
  2. Hazel m. Otis Hyde, one child, Gene Raymond
  3. Wesley, Jr. has a Florist shop in Camden, Ar - no children married Nora Oliver
  4. One child who d. age 1<sup>st</sup> Annie Ruth
- Robert Wesley m. 2<sup>nd</sup>, a widow, Donna Inez, who already had two daughters. No children were born of this 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage. They lived in Dumas, Ar where Inez had a dress shop.

Alongo Roberts m. a 2<sup>nd</sup> time and had one girl named Betty Jean

Because of the close family relationship of the Kelley - Massey - Roberts families, some explanation is essential.

William Creech Roberts married two of Robert Kelley, Sr's daughters: 1<sup>st</sup> Margaret. After she died, he married Mary Howie, and children of that marriage will be shown shortly following this description. After the Mary Howie marriage, William Creech Roberts married his first wife's younger sister, Sarah Frances (Kelley) Brady Massey, who like himself, already had two sets of children. Also, closely knit into this third marriage, were the children of former (2) husbands of Sarah Frances. To further complicate



the picture, William Creech Roberts had a brother, Columbus Roberts, called Uncle Lum. When Lum's house burned, in addition to the six sets of children already sharing the William Creech Roberts house, Lum and his wife "Aunt Cumi" and their eleven children, moved temporarily into the Will Roberts house until they could build another house. Near-family relations of the William Creech Roberts family which so complicated the Kelley-Maksey genealogy that explanations of who was who are necessary.

William Creech Roberts m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Howie and had these four children:

1. William m. in Texas and had one girl named Howie for his mother's family.

W. N. Roberts was a minister and for a time was pastor of the Devine Baptist Church in Devine, Texas. This must have been near Lytel, Texas for we have two letters from Grandmother, Sarah Frances Roberts, in March and April of 1926.

They are both addressed from Lytel and one is written on church stationery. She had partly raised William, Margaret and Effie.

2. Margaret m. Roy Gardner and had two children: Frances Maie and Roy, Jr. They lived at Robstown, Texas near Corpus Christi, Texas and in 1941 while teaching at the Conway Conservatory of Music in Corpus Christi, I visited them.



3. Dewey m. a girl whose first name was "Henry" and had one boy, who m. and lived in Paris, France.

4. Effie m. William Johnson and had two daughters.

William Creech Roberts m. 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sarah Frances (Kelley) Brady Massey, a widow who had two sets of children, just as he already had two sets. When my Grandmother Sarah married him, she was still a beautiful woman. Her hair was snow white at an early age which enhanced her beauty, and her skin was like fine porcelain. Children of this third marriage will be covered under "Children of Sarah Frances (Kelley) Brady Massey Roberts" given later.

At one time there were as many as seventeen children living in the Roberts home. William's brother, Columbus "Lum" Roberts had 1<sup>st</sup> m. a Harmon and had a son named Johnnie Roberts. His 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Aunt Cumi Stone had 1<sup>st</sup> m. a Jim Harper and had one daughter named Jimmy Harper. Then, Aunt Cumi (Stone) Harper and Columbus Roberts married and had four girls and five boys:

1. Dora m. Oliver Norman. No children d. early 1960's.

2. Ernest m. Alma Machen and had two daughters, one - Beth - m. Robert Kirkland and lives at Portland. One daughter, Irene, m. Dave Savage.



3. Walter m. Mable Chapman and had a girl and a boy. Later Walter m. Annie Mae Stell.

4. Jack m. Irene Jackson and had two girls, then he died. Daughter, Dorothy, married Ruben Cutrel and Mildred m. Jack Folds and had a girl named Carolyn.

5. Alice m. a Malone at Montrose and had a girl who died when about 2 years old. A boy named Jack is still living in N.C. (he married in Dallas, Texas). Alice is still living in Dallas, Texas.

6. Stella m. Clyde Massey; This family is covered separately under the family of Sarah Frances and William Andrew Massey.

7. Esther (a man) m. a nurse from Helena named Lula Corder.

8. Cumi m. James Monroe Jennings, a train engineer at Montrose, Ar. He was killed in a train wreck, 1921, at Pillow Hill, near Helena. They had a daughter, Jamie who m. a Brooks at Crossett, Ar and a daughter, Mary Emily who m. a Bussell at Crossett. Cumi married after Jennings d. to Carroll Brazile and they lived at Montrose, Ar. Jennings was killed when the train derailed and he was caught under the coal tender.

9. Norman "Nornie" m. Lulu and she died. They lived in Memphis, Tenn. He m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Gladys. No children by either marriage.